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SCHOOL TREASURER AND
ROAD AGENTS

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1902.

Dudley C. Colman,	Moderator
Charles Churchill,	Selectman
Robert L. Chamberlain,	Selectman
Lester L. Churchill,	Selectman
Dudley C. Colman,	Town Treasurer.
John F. Hackett,	Town Clerk.
John F. Robinson,	Supervisor
Charles H. Neal,	Supervisor
Horace L. Thomes,	Supervisor
Charles Colman,	Member School Board
Charles Willey,	Member School Board
John E. Lang,	Member School Board
Dudley C. Colman,	School Treasurer.
Mary E. Colman,	Librarian.
Asa A. Shortridge,	Collector of Taxes.
Charles Willey,	Health Officer
John F. Robinson,	Health Officer
Wilbur F. Sanborn,	Health Officer
Wilson Colman,	Constable.
Stephen H. Hutchins,	Auditor.
Charles B. Thomes,	Auditor.
Robert L. Chamberlain,	Library Trustee
Charles Churchill,	Library Trustee
Leon C. Colman,	Library Trustee

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

[L. S.]

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Brookfield qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said town on the second Tuesday of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

ART. 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year or three years ensuing as the law requires.

ART. 2. To take the sense of the qualified voters whether the alterations and amendments of the Constitution proposed by the Constitutional Convention shall be approved.

ART. 3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for breaking the roads for the year ending February 15, 1903. Also to see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for breaking the roads from February 15, 1903, to February 15, 1904.

ART. 4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for school supplies for the ensuing year.

ART. 5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for support of the Public Library for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for support of schools above that required by law for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for repairing the highways and bridges the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for services of town officers the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to have the town accounts printed and furnish each legal voter with a copy of the same, and if so what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for the same.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to change the present system of managing the highways and divide the town into districts and if so how many districts they will divide the town into.

ART. 11. To see what action the town will take in relation to a claim that has been presented by Arthur L. Foote for his client, Charles H. Sawyer, guardian of the late Joseph Pike, for said Pike's support, he being alleged to be poor and unable to support himself.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to have the Real Estate of the town examined and a new appraisal placed upou the same, and, if so, if they will elect a Board of Appraisers to go over said Real Estate and make appraisal, or add additional members to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose.

Given under our hands and seal this sixteenth day of February, 1903.

CHARLES CHURCHILL,
ROBERT L. CHAMBERLAIN,
LESTER L. CHUCHILL,
} Selectmen of Brookfield.

A true copy of warrant.

Attest:

CHARLES CHURCHILL,
ROBERT L. CHAMBERLAIN,
LESTER L. CHURCHILL,
} Selectmen of Brookfield.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

APPROPRIATIONS.

MARCH ELECTION, 1902.

To pay state tax,	$ 225 25	
To pay county tax,	397 00	
For school purposes,	343 00	
For books for town library,	15 90	
For printing town reports,	14 00	
For town expenses,	100 00	
For winter highway tax,	140 27	
For summer highway tax,	400 00	
For repairs on Churchill school house,	38 00	$1,673 42

PROPERTY BELONGING TO TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, FEBRUARY 16, 1903.

Town Hall and lot and horse shed,	$1,000 00	
Churchill school house and lot,	500 00	
Hackett school house and lot,	500 00	
Stoneham school house and lot,	400 00	
Public library,	100 00	
Fixtures in Town Hall and school houses,	100 00	
Road machine,	100 00	$2,700 00
Cemetery on Lyford road,		

EXPENDITURES.

Paid state tax,	$225 25	
Paid county tax,	397 00	$622 25

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

PAID DUDLEY C. COLMAN, TREASURER SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Amount appropriated by law,	$318 00	
Amount appropriated extra,	25 00	
Amount appropriated by state,	114 16	
Amount literary fund,	32 13	
Amount dog licenses,	49 20	$538 49

PAID LEON C. COLMAN, LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Paid Leon C Colman, library trustee, amount appropriated for books,	$15 90	$15 90

PAID CHARLES WILLEY, MEMBER OF SCHOOL BOARD

Paid Charles Willey, member of school board, supplies for schools,	$46 15	$46 15

PAID DUDLEY C. COLMAN, SCHOOL TREASURER

Paid Dudley C Colman, school treasurer, for repairing Churchill school house,	$38 00	$38 00

PAID DAMAGE TO ANIMALS BY DOGS

Paid Stephens H. Hutchins, loss of sheep,	$5 00	$5 00

PAID WINTER HIGHWAY BILLS TO FEBRUARY 15, 1902

Thomas L Churchill, road agent 1901,	$22 80	
John F Wiggin, road agent 1901,	59 18	
Arthur Sceggel, road agent 1901,	61 59	$143 57

PAID SUMMER HIGHWAY BILLS, 1902

Henry W Peavey, Churchill district,	$182 58	
John F Wiggin, Hackett district,	155 59	
Charles H Neal, Stoneham district,	95 15	$433 32

PAID EXTRA HIGHWAY BILLS

John E Witham, cutting bushes,	$ 2 00	
Henry W Peavey, hauling dirt,	1 75	
William H Willey, bridge plank,	47 41	$51 16

PAID PAUPER BILLS

Town of Wakefield, Sophia Garland family,	$ 73 00	
Mrs. E G Boodey, board Garland child,	39 00	
Mrs. O T Leighton, board Garland child,	39 00	
John W Wiggin, support of Charles Wiggin,	18 00	
Dr. P T Haskell, medicine for Charles Wiggin,	5 50	
James Willey, supplies for Robert Smith,	8 75	
William H Willey, supplies for Henry Nutt,	5 97	
William H Willey, supplies for Robert Smith,	10 36	$199 58

ABATEMENTS

Paid Asa A. Shortridge, Abatements on his List for Year 1902

Martha Tibbetts and Mary Tappan,	$ 6 69	
Samuel M Adams, soldier,	1 48	
Henry Nutt,	2 90	
Betsey L Hutchins,	1 48	
Robert Smith,	30	
Reuhama L Smith,	1 18	
Heirs of Spencer Wentworth,	3 17	$17 20

PAID TOWN OFFICERS

Charles Churchill, Selectmen,	$ 27 97	
Robert L Chamberlain, Selectman,	18 50	
Lester L Churchill, Selectman,	19 00	
John F Hackett, Town Clerk,	20 00	
Dudley C Colman, Town Treasurer,	20 00	
Dudley C Colman, School Treasurer,	3 00	
Asa A Shortridge, Collector,	25 00	
Mary E Colman, Librarian,	10 00	
Charles Colman, Member of School Board,	11 00	
Charles Willey, Member of School Board,	10 00	
John E Lang, Member of School Board,	5 00	
Stephen H Hutchins, Supervisor,	6 00	
John F Robinson, Supervisor,	6 00	
Charles H Neal, Supervisor,	5 00	
Wilson Colman, Constable,	2 00	
Stephen H Hutchins, Auditor,	2 00	
Charles B Thomes, Auditor,	2 00	$192 47

PAID MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Luther M Sanborn, public watering place,	$ 3 00
James H Willey, public watering place,	3 00
Dr. P T Haskell, report births and deaths,	1 25
Dr. W S Davis, report births and deaths,	1 25
George S Dorr, blanks for orders,	1 50
Charles H Cate, carpet for library,	5 00
S L Shortridge, guard rails in Town Hall,	3 10
Asa A Shortridge, painting bulletin board,	50
E C Eastman, collector's books and blanks,	2 12
John F Hackett, report vital statistics,	1 50
John M Haynes, goods for Town Hall library,	2 40

John F Robinson, services member Board of Health,	$10 32	
John F Hackett, blanks for clerk's office,	1 05	
Langdon Brown, repairing Town Hall,	1 25	
Joseph Legary, repairing,	1 50	
Garvin & Co., goods for Town Hall library,	95	
Dudley C Colman, expense to Ossipee in pauper case,	3 00	
Dudley C Colman, making report for printer,	2 00	
Granite State News, printing report,	14 00	$58 69

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIVED

From Dudley C Colman, Town Treasurer 1901,	$ 136 25	
From Selectmen, Savings Bank tax,	218 30	
From Selectmen, Railroad tax,	45 19	
From Selectmen, school fund from state,	98 45	
From Selectmen, literary fund,	31 50	
From Town Clerk, dog licenses,	55 90	
From county pauper bill,	31 08	
From Asa A Shortridge on list of 1901,	8 58	
From Asa A Shortridge, Hudson tax of 1901,	2 34	
From Asa A Shortridge, Collector for 1902,	1,748 21	$2,375 80

PAID

Solon A Carter, state tax,	$ 225 25
Orlando Richardson, county tax,	397 00
Dudley C Colman, school treasurer,	538 49
Leon C Colman, library fund,	15 90
Charles Willey, supplies for schools,	46 15
Pauper bills,	199 58
Winter highway bills of 1901,	143 57
Summer highway bills of 1902,	433 32
Damage to sheep by dogs,	5 00
Miscellaneous bills,	58 69
Extra highway bills,	51 16
Salaries of town officers,	192 47
A A Shortridge, abatements for 1902,	17 20
Charles Willey, seats for Churchill school house,	38 00

Cash in hands of Dudley C Colman, Treasurer,	$ 14 02	$2,375 80

GENERAL STATEMENT

Assets:

Cash in hands of Dudley C Colman, Treasurer,	$14 02
Due from A A Shortridge, list of 1902,	5 85
	$19 87

Liabilities:

NONE.

DUDLEY C. COLMAN,
Town Treasurer.

Having carefully examined the foregoing accounts we find them properly cast and regularly vouched.

Brookfield, N. H., February 21, 1903.

STEPHEN H. HUTCHINS, } Auditors of
CHARLES B. THOMES, } Brookfield.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

The steady march of time brings us to the close of another school year, and we herewith present a brief statistical report.

Three schools have been sustained at an average length of twenty-five weeks, a gain over any other year in the history of the town and we hope also, a gain proportionate in acquirements may have been received by those instructed. If such is not the case, it is, in our opinion, on account of lack of prompt, punctual attendance. This is a great fault in our country schools, and one which would not be tolerated in our cities for a moment. There if a scholar is tardy or absent the cause is inquired into at once. We urge upon parents and guardians, as a legal and moral duty, to look after this matter the coming year. Four female teachers have been employed during the year, Mrs. Quimby, Mrs. Palmer, Miss Mary E Robinson and Miss Jennie Orrell. Whole number of scholars in town, 64; amount expended for each pupil, $8.50.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. LANG,
CHARLES COLMAN,
CHARLES E. WILLEY,
School Board of Brookfield.

February 25, 1903.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Brookfield, New Hampshire, for the Year Ending December 31, 1902.

DATE OF MARRIAGE. PLACE OF MARRIAGE.	NAME AND SURNAME OF THE GROOM AND BRIDE. RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE.	AGE OF EACH IN YEARS.	COLOR OF EACH.	PLACE OF BIRTH OF GROOM AND BRIDE. OCCUPATION OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE.	NAMES OF PARENTS.	WHAT MARRIAGE—FIRST, SECOND, OR OTHER.	NAME, OFFICIAL STATION, AND RESIDENCE OF PERSONS BY WHOM MARRIED.
November 27 Stowe, Me.	Martin H. Eaton. Brookfield. Florence Leach Elkins. Brookfield.	23 21	W W	Brookfield. Stowe, Me.	John C. Eaton. Lois H. Martin. Albert C. Elkins. Ella Wentworth.	First. First.	Bayman N. Stone, Clergyman.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN H. HACKETT, TOWN CLERK.

Births Registered in the Town of Brookfield, New Hampshire, for the Year Ending December 31, 1902.

DATE OF BIRTH. / PLACE OF BIRTH.	NAME OF THE CHILD. (if recorded). / NUMBER OF THE CHILD.	SEX. MALE.	SEX. FEMALE.	LIVING OR STILLBORN.	COLOR.	NAME OF FATHER. / MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER.	OCCUPATION OF FATHER. / RESIDENCE OF PARENTS.	BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER. / BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER.	AGE OF FATHER.*	AGE OF MOTHER.*
March 3. Brookfield.		M		Stillborn.	W	Lester L. Churchill. Hattie B. Ferguson.	Meat Dealer. Brookfield.	Brookfield. Brookfield.	42	45
July 10. Brookfield.	Una Catherine Leighton.		F	Living.	W	E. F. Leighton. Mary Field.	Laborer. Salem, Mass.	Salem, Mass. Houlton, Me.	28	26
September 5. Brookfield.	Harry C. Hackett.	M		Living.	W	Arthur S. Hackett. Florence M. Penty.	Farmer. Brookfield.	Brookfield. Dartsmouth, N. S.	31	30
October 2. Brookfield.		M		Living.	W	Caleb H. Pike. Lydia E. Clow.	Farmer. Brookfield.	Ossipee. Wolfeboro.	46	41
October 11. Brookfield.			F	Living.	W	Fred Garland. Hattie M. West.	Laborer. Brookfield.	Brookfield. Brookfield.	24	24
December 18. Brookfield.	Harold P. Ward.	M		Living.	W	Asa Ward. Annie B. Garland.	Fireman. Brookfield.	Madison. Conway.	32	34

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

* At last birthday.

JOHN F. HACKETT, TOWN CLERK.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Brookfield, New Hampshire, for the Year Ending December 31, 1902.

DATE OF DEATH. PLACE OF DEATH.	NAME AND SURNAME OF THE DECEASED. PLACE OF BIRTH OF THE DECEASED.	AGE AND SEX. YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.	MALE.	FEMALE.	CONDITION: SINGLE, MARRIED, OR WIDOWED.	NAME OF FATHER. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER.	DISEASE, OR CAUSE OF DEATH. NAME AND POST-OFFICE ADDRESS OF PHYSICIAN (OR OTHER PERSON) REPORTING DEATHS.
March 23. Malden, Mass.	John W. Weeks.	73	11	23	M		Married.		Bright's Disease.
May 22. Brookfield.	Ruhama Smith. Wolfeboro.	73				F	Married.	James Shortridge. Mary Nutt.	Cancer of the Liver and Bowels. W. S. Davis, M. D., Sanbornville.
December 22. Brookfield.	Lydia E. Willand.	80	3			F	Widowed.	Nathan Jenkins. Rose Horn.	Old Age. W. S. Davis, M. D., Sanbornville.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN F. HACKETT, TOWN CLERK.